

Docket Number 4481-022

Serial Number 09/598,890

REMARKS

Applicant notes the allowance of claims 33-42, 44-46 and 57 and the indication of claims 56 and 58-62 containing allowable subject matter. Claim 56 has been combined with claim 17 upon which claim 56 was formerly dependent. Therefore claim 56 and the claims dependent on it, i.e., claims 58-62, are now allowable.

To expedite prosecution of this application, claims 1-32, 43 and 47-55 are canceled. The canceled claims are to be resubmitted in a continuation application, with the changes thereof set forth in the September 15, 2004 Amendment. As such entry of the Amendment is in order because it does not require consideration of new issues, a new search and is directed only to formal, non-substantive matters.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested and deemed in order.


To the extent necessary, a petition for one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. A Credit Card Authorization Form is hereby attached. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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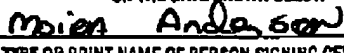
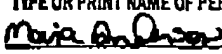
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